

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

receiving meta-data broadcast by a server system, the meta-data including descriptions of a plurality of data files currently being broadcasted or to be broadcasted by the server system;

rating previously broadcasted data files in response to a content rating table;

storing previously broadcasted data files meeting a pre-determined ranking threshold in a storage device to create a plurality of stored data files;

comparing the rankings of the plurality of stored data files to determine a best stored data file;

rating currently broadcasted data files in response to the content rating table;

comparing the rankings of currently broadcasted data files to determine a best currently broadcasted data file;

selecting the best currently broadcasted data file or best stored data file with the highest ranking;

selecting in response to a content rating table a data file described by the meta-data, the content rating table generated responsive to data files previously accessed; and

displaying the selected best currently broadcasted or stored data file automatically on a personalized channel on a display device.

2.-6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim [[4]] 1 wherein a currently broadcasted data file is an immediate viewing data file and is automatically selected.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein if an immediate viewing data file is not selected then a stored data file is selected.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 wherein if neither an immediate viewing data file or a stored data file is selected then a ~~best current data file option~~ the currently broadcasted data file with the highest ranking is selected.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9 further comprising displaying the selected data file on a personalized channel on a display device.

11. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the plurality of data files comprise at least one of video information, graphical information, audio information, multi-media information or textual information.

12. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:
a processor having circuitry to execute instructions;
a communications interface coupled to the processor, the communications interface coupled to receive data files and meta-data from a server system; and
a storage device coupled to the processor, the storage device having sequences of instructions stored therein, which when executed by the processor cause the processor to:
rate previously broadcasted data files in response to a content rating table;
store previously broadcasted data files meeting a pre-determined ranking threshold in a storage device to create a plurality of stored data files;
compare the rankings of the plurality of stored data files to determine a best stored data file;
rate currently broadcasted data files in response to the content rating table;
compare the rankings of currently broadcasted data files to determine a best currently broadcasted data file;
select the best currently broadcasted data file or best stored data file with the highest ranking;
select in response to a content rating table a data file described by the meta data, the content rating table generated responsive to data files previously accessed; and

display the selected best currently broadcasted or stored data file automatically on a personalized channel on a display device.

13.-17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim [[15]] 12 wherein a currently broadcasted data file is an immediate viewing data file and is automatically selected.

19. (Original) The apparatus of claim 18 wherein if an immediate viewing data file is not selected then a stored data file is selected.

20. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 19 wherein if neither an immediate viewing data file or a stored data file is selected then a best current data file option the currently broadcasted data file with the highest ranking is selected.

21. (Original) The apparatus of claim 20 wherein the selected data file is displayed on a personalized channel on a display device.

22. (Original) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the plurality of data files comprise at least one of video information, graphical information, audio information, multi-media information or textual information.

23. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable medium having instructions stored thereon, which when executed by a processor cause the processor to:

receive meta-data broadcast by a server system, the meta-data including descriptions of a plurality of data files currently being broadcasted or to be broadcasted by the server system;

rate previously broadcasted data files in response to a content rating table;

store previously broadcasted data files meeting a pre-determined ranking threshold in a storage device to create a plurality of stored data files;

compare the rankings of the plurality of stored data files to determine a best stored data file;

rate currently broadcasted data files in response to the content rating table;
compare the rankings of currently broadcasted data files to determine a best currently
broadcasted data file;
select the best currently broadcasted data file or best stored data file with the highest
ranking;
~~select in response to a content rating table a data file described by the meta-data, the~~
~~content rating table generated responsive to data files previously accessed; and~~
display the selected best currently broadcasted or stored data file automatically on a
personalized channel on a display device.

24.-28. (Canceled)

29. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim [[26]] 23 wherein a currently
broadcasted data file is an immediate viewing data file and is automatically selected.

30. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 29 wherein if an immediate
viewing data file is not selected then a stored data file is selected.

31. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim 30 wherein if
neither an immediate viewing data file or a stored data file is selected then ~~a best current data file~~
~~option~~ the currently broadcasted data file with the highest ranking is selected.

32. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 31 wherein the selected data file
is displayed on a personalized channel on a display device.